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In re application of

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated August 7, 2004. A Petition for a three month extension of time is being concurrently filed, making a response due on or before February 9, 2004 (February 7, 2004 being a Saturday). Please enter and consider the Remarks submitted below.

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are all the claims pending in the application.

I. Response to the Rejection Based on Raychaudhuri et al in view of Hurditch et al

Claims 1-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Raychaudhuri et al in view of Hurditch et al.